

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: **Keiji SUMIYA, et al.**

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**Customer No.: 23850**

For. **SINGLE CRYSTALS OF SILICATES OF RARE EARTH ELEMENTS**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fees of the above application, please amend the application as follows: